

House Resolution No. 2739

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

Whereas, the Lathrop R-II School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 23, 2003, with the retirement of Catherine Goepferich who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Catherine Goepferich has taught fourth grade for twenty-nine years at Lathrop R-II, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Catherine Goepferich also taught fourth and fifth grades in the Excelsior Springs School District for three years and fourth grade at St. James Parochial School in Liberty for two and one-half years; and

Whereas, Catherine Goepferich has enjoyed recognition by serving as Coordinator of math contests for fourth through sixth grades and by being a valuable member of the Missouri Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the Missouri State Teachers Association, the Lathrop General Federation of Women's Clubs Study Club, PEO Chapter S, the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary, and the Church of the Annunciation, where she takes part in the Altar Society; and

Whereas, Catherine Goepferich earned a Master's degree in teaching at Webster University and completed more than forty additional hours of instruction; and

Whereas, Catherine Goepferich has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her late husband, Robert W. Goepferich; two sons and their wives, Brian P. and Kim Goepferich and Gregory W. and Karla Goepferich; and six grandchildren, Andrew, Dawson, Mickel, Seth, Jarod, and Claire:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Lathrop R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Catherine Goepferich has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Catherine Goepferich, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative James O. Guest
District No. 5

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2739, adopted May 9, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker